

# VOLUNTEER AWARDS

**Nomination Deadline: March 1**

## Spinnaker Award

The Minnetonka School District Spinnaker Award is presented annually to individuals or groups who exemplify volunteerism, community and serving the greater good. Like the spinnaker on a sailboat, the groups or individuals recognized with this award are out in front, full-sail, leading us toward the fulfillment of our dreams. These individuals are powered by the winds of passion, hope, confidence, and inspiration. Honorees may be individual volunteers, financial contributors, volunteer project or event groups, business partners.

### Award Criteria:

- ★ Engaged in service that significantly impacts a student, groups of students, school or the district over time
- ★ Displays personal and professional integrity
- ★ Creates a positive, supportive, and respectful atmosphere in which others are excited to be involved
- ★ Demonstrates a commitment to supporting our schools and community involvement

### Nomination Process:

1. Any Minnetonka staff member, administrator, student, parent, community member, or alumnus may make the nomination. Self-nominations are not accepted.
2. Nomination shall include the nominator's name, address and phone number; nominee's name, address, phone number, approximate dates of service, and at least one letter of support.
3. Complete on-line nomination at [www.minnetonka.k12.mn.us/celebrateexcellence](http://www.minnetonka.k12.mn.us/celebrateexcellence) or mail a nomination to Celebrate Excellence, Minnetonka Schools, 5621 County Road 101, Minnetonka, MN 55345, fax 952-401-5093 or e-mail [celebrateexcellence@minnetonka.k12.mn.us](mailto:celebrateexcellence@minnetonka.k12.mn.us). Deadline is March 1.
4. Recipients are selected by the District Recognition Committee and shall be notified in late April.
5. Up to ten awards may be presented each year at the gala event to be held in May.

## Minnetonka Community Education Awards

The Minnetonka Community Education Advisory Council will award up to three awards to volunteers, program participants, or others involved in one of three program areas: Early Childhood Family Education, Youth Programs or Adult Programs.

### Nomination Process:

1. Community members, board members, students and staff are invited to submit nominations. Nominees may be anyone in the service area of Minnetonka Community Education.
2. An on-line nomination form is available at [www.minnetonka.k12.mn.us/celebrateexcellence](http://www.minnetonka.k12.mn.us/celebrateexcellence). The nomination must provide the following information:
  - > Nominator's name and phone number.
  - > Name, address, and phone number of nominee.
  - > Service or participation of the nominee.
  - > Any special attributes of the nominee making the nominee unique or extraordinary.
  - > Testimonials from friends, colleagues or program managers are encouraged.
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